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Dear Dr. Vollman:

I had already dictated a letter to apologize for my not having succeeded in contacting you during my brief visit in Washington, but I will not take note of your reply to me which has arrived in the meantime. I am sorry that I found my schedule so snarled up that I didn't even make all the telephone calls I had promised myself to do.

I certainly will take the next opportunity I can to get in touch with you, though at the moment I am not sure when that will be.

You may be interested in the text of the testimony that I have before the Senate committee, particularly those sections that have to do with the importance of vital statistics. I was also pleased to note that it was quite possible to discuss such touchy issues as therapeutic abortion in a perfectly rational way, which is not to say that any official reaction was immediately forthcoming.

Cordially,

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